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West Pakistan

Attitude Toward the US and US Aid/
Intentions Toward India Regarding Kashmir

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1. [REDACTED] that the average Pakistani politically is neither pro-Communist nor pro-US, but that he is strongly nationalistic. The average Pakistani's main objection to the US is the US's stand against the Arabs who are also Moslems. The Pakistanis think that the US discriminated against all the Moslem people when the US sided with the Jews in Israel. Another matter which they hold against the US and that they speak very frankly about is the fact that the United Nations (and they think of the US as being the United Nations) was presumptuous enough to expect them to hold a plebiscite immediately after partition when they were warring with India over Kashmir.

2. The headwaters of the Indus River are in Kashmir and Kashmir is under the direction of India; the Pakistanis claim that India is now canalizing off these headwaters, thus causing the Indus to dry up and preventing a sufficient supply of water for irrigation in Pakistan. This lack of water, they claim, has caused a famine in Pakistan during the past two years. They state [REDACTED] in all sincerity that they fully intend to fight India as soon as they are able, and that they are presently preparing as rapidly as they possibly can to get ready for that conflict. Even several doctors [REDACTED] that they would rather die fighting for this cause than to starve to death, and, [REDACTED], if things stay the way they are now, they will definitely starve. Of course, they are also critical of the US because the US is nice to India. They think that if the US likes them, the US is supposed to hate anybody that they hate, and they definitely hate India with a passion.

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3. [redacted] that the US residents on various jobs in Pakistan are working quite hard and seem to be trying to do a good job, but, according to comments by Pakistanis with [redacted] doubt whether there is proper cooperation between the various US agency missions and representatives in Pakistan; they are supposedly openly hyper-critical of each other.

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4. With the exception of those major specific and openly voiced criticisms of the US [redacted] mentioned above, the average Pakistani has a high regard for the US and the US way of doing things. However, they say repeatedly that a lot of the give-away programs which the US has been undertaking in Pakistan are doing more harm than good. They claim that wheat, for instance, sent to them in large quantities by the US, is being pocketed by the Pakistanis in charge of distributing it; i.e., the person in charge of distribution fills his own bins and the bins of his friends first, and by the time he gets down to the fellow who is starving, the wheat is either gone or it is so weevil-eaten that it is not fit for human consumption.

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5. [redacted] an Australian in the northwest province who of West Pakistan said that remarkable progress had been made in agriculture during the three years he had been in that area; however, further south, [redacted] repeated complaints from Pakistani intellectuals about the US-sponsored and supported projects becoming stymied because someone, "either a subversive, or a hyper-critic", dampened the spirit of the average Pakistani by telling him that the US was supporting these different projects simply for US gain. For example, with regard to agriculture and irrigation, Pakistanis are told that the US wants to make a farmer out of the Pakistani just to raise food for the US; on the other hand, workers in the hydroelectric projects are being influenced to believe that the US is merely trying to industrialize Pakistan now so that in case of another world war, the US can destroy these industries through bombing and thus again keep Pakistan dependent upon the US's mercy.

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6. The upper 10% of the people are anxious to learn, and are anxious to come to the US to study medicine and the various phases of industrial and economic life. However, the method of training and study for these potential students is extremely important. For instance, most Pakistanis aren't too dextrous with their hands. One Pakistan doctor [redacted] of his brother who came to the US and studied textile engineering for three years. When this brother came back and set himself up as an authority in the Pakistan textile industry, he expected to run the industry by sitting in a large plush office and pushing buttons; the doctor then added, however, that his brother actually hadn't had the needed practical training and didn't know how to change a spindle if something went wrong with it in the factory.

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[redacted] not only this doctor's remarks but also from all the stated opinions by Pakistani medical leaders and other intellectuals in regard to real US aid to Pakistan is as follows: first, training of Pakistanis in the US should be very practical in nature with a view toward the problems and conditions which the trainee will be confronted with in Pakistan, and further that it be given in private business, industry, medical centers, etc., as a sort of on-the-job type of training; secondly, that the opinions of US private business and industry representatives abroad should be given very great consideration with regard to US aid, because they are more capable in grasping Pakistan's problems and recommending practical solutions than are those official US Government representatives in Pakistan at present and in the past.

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